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WT Docket No. 16-421
COMMENT SOUGHT ON STREAMLINING DEPLOYMENT OF
SMALL CELL INFRASTRUCTURE
MOBILITIE, LLC PETITION FOR DECLARATORY RULING

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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

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Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of the Olde Potomac Park Community Association, Inc., a 201 homes neighborhood in northern Montgomery County, Maryland, I write to express our concerns and opposition to the subject plan calling for the installation of 30 ft. cell towers in front of our homes.

While we recognize that the usage of data services is increasing, we believe that with data service provided by multiple wireless carriers (Verizon, AT&T, Sprint and T-Mobile among others) and high-speed broadband providers (Comcast and Verizon-FIOS), our neighborhood is more than adequately covered in this regard. We believe that installing these towers in front of our homes will have very limited impact in both quality of service and price competition among the existing service providers. Furthermore, we strongly believe these structures will be aesthetically detrimental to the visual character of the community and adversely impact the value of our properties. Lastly, permitting the petitioners to bypass the normal local zoning application and approval process to install these cell towers in our front yards will be a blatant violation of our property rights.

We are not opposed to technological progress or to the increase of competition in the telecommunication services market. However, as residents and homeowners, we strongly demand to be consulted and have a say in the type, location, appearance, etc. prior to the installation of any of these facilities in our community.

Respectfully,

Olde Potomac Park Community Association, Inc. Board of Directors